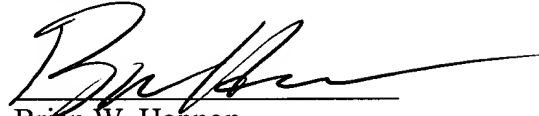


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REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification is changed as follows:

Page 1, after the title, insert the heading:

Background of the Invention

before the seventh paragraph beginning "With this in mind", insert the heading:

Summary of the Invention

Page 3, before the second full paragraph beginning with "The following", insert the heading:

Brief Description of the Drawings

before the last paragraph beginning with "Referring now" insert the heading:

Detailed Description of the Invention

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

4. (Amended) A bi-stable microswitch according to ~~either one of claims 2 or 3~~ claim 2, wherein the second section of the armature is at least partially formed of invar.

5. (Amended) A bi-stable microswitch according to ~~any one of the preceding~~ claims claim 1, and further including a first heating device formed on or proximate the armature.

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6. (Amended) A bi-stable microswitch according to ~~any one of the preceding~~
~~claims~~claim 5 and further including a second heating device formed on or proximate the
magnetisable element.

7. (Amended) A bi-stable microswitch according to ~~either one of claims 5 or 6~~claim
6, wherein one or more of the first and second hearing devices includes an electrical resistance
element.

8. (Amended) A bi-stable microswitch according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 14~~claim 1,
wherein heat is applied to at least one of the armature and the magnetisable element by means of
electromagnetic radiation.

10. (Amended) A bi-stable microswitch according to ~~any one of the preceding~~
~~claims~~claim 1, wherein the magnetisable element is at least partially formed from a NiCu alloy,
the composition of the alloy being adjusted to set the first temperature.

14. (Amended) A bi-stable microswitch according to ~~any one of the preceding~~
~~claims~~claim 1, wherein the armature comprises a cantilever overhanging the pair of contacts.